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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR SCALI'S MEETING WITH GA PRESIDENT

BOUTEFLIKA, UN HEADQUARTERS, DEC. 20

- 1. AMB. SCALI BEGAN BY STRESSING THE NEED FOR A BETTER UN DIALOGUE, IMPROVED IN TONE AND SUBSTANCE, BETWEEN THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND THOSE OF THE THIRD WORLD. HE REFERRED TO HIS STATEMENT OF DEC. 6 AND EMPHASIZED THAT THOSE WHO CLAIMED THAT THERE WAS A "PRESS CAMPAIGN" IN THE US AGAINST THE UN WERE MISTAKEN: THE US PUBLIC ON ITS OWN HAD BECOME DISSATISFIED WITH CERTAIN DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE 29TH GA. THESE DID NOT RVOLVE EXCLUSIVELY AROUND THE QUESTION OF THE MIDDLE EAST. TWO OTHER SPECIFIC PROBLEMS WERE INVOLVED.: SOUTH AFRICA AND THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES. THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED SC DISCUSSION ON NAMIBIA HAD SHOWN THAT WHERE THERE IS A WILL TO COMPROMISE ON ALL SIDES, SEUCCESS MAY BE ACHIEVED. HAD MORE TIME AND MORE GIVE EXISTED CONCERNING THE CHARTER, A SIMILAR SUCCESS MIGHT HAVE RESULTED. WE ALL WANT PROGRESS AND CHANGE: THE QUESTION IS ONE OF TIMING AND HOW SUCH CHANGE SHOULD BE EFFECTED. WE LOOK TO BOUTEFLIKA TO EXERT THE TYPE OF LEADERSHIP WHICH IS REQUIRED TO SHAPE SUCH DEMANDS FOR CHANGE INTO FORMS WHICH MAY BE ACCEPTABLE TO ALL PARTIES.
- 2. IN REPLY, BOUTEFLIKA PAID TRIBUTE TO BOTH PRESIDENTS NIXON AND FORD AS "PRESIDENTS OF PEACE". HE EXPLAINED CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT ONE OF THE REASONS FOR THE COHESION OF THE THIRD

WORLD HAD BEEN ANXIETY OVER THE IMPLICATIONS OF DETENTE. MANY IN THE THIRD WORLD BELIEVED THAT WITH DETENTE, THE "SUPER POWERS" WOULD CONSPITE AGAINST THEIR INTERESTS AND WOULD REDUCE ASSISTANCE TO THEM. MANY IN THE THIRD WORLD FELT THAT SOV AND US RESISTANCE AT THE 29TH GA TO THE PRINCIPLE OF REVIKEWING THE UN CHARTER CONFIRMED THEIR SUSPICIONS. THE THIRD WORLD ALSO IS SUSPICIOUS OF CHINA. CHINA GOES ALONG WITH THE LDC'S BUT WILL BECOME AND ACT AS A "SUPER POWER" HERSELF. THE THIRD WORLD LOOKS, THEREFORE, TO THE US, TO CHANGE ITS POLICY TOWARD THE THIRD WORLD AND PLAY A LEADING ROLE. BOUTEFLIKA HOPED THAT THE US WOULD SELECT ALGERIA AS A RECIPIENT OF LARGE SCALE ASSISTANCE, IN TURN FOR WHICH THE US WOULD GAIN ALGERIAN SUPPORT IN A KEY GEO-POLITICAL AREA. THE THIRD WORLD REALIZES THAT THE US WILL NOT CHANGE ITS POLICY OVERNIGHT, BUT COULD IT NOT MAKE GESTURES TOWARD THE THIRD WORLD? WHY, FOR INSTANCE, COULD THE US NOT HAVE MADE A TOKEN IMPUT TO THE FUND FOR THE MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED NATIONS AND PLAYED SOME ROLE ON ITS GOVERNING COUNCIL? THE US CAN CONTINUE TO CONDUCT ITS DIPLOMACY SUCCESSFULLY ON THREE LEVELS: BILATERALLY, REGIONALLY, AND THROUGH THE UN.

- 3. TURNING TO OTHER QUESTIONS, BOUTEFLIKA SAID THAT
 THE COUP IN PORTUGAL HAD COME AS GREAT SURPRISE TO EVERYONE,
 LEADING TO THE ENORMOUS CHANGES WHICH HAVE OCCURED IN
 SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE US PARTICULARLY HAS AN IMPORTANT
 ROLE TO PLAY IN EXERTING PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA.
 ONE HAD THOUGHT THE IVORY COAST PRESIDENT HOUPHEOUETBOIGNY WAS PREMATURE IN SUGGESTING A DIALOGUE WITH PRESIDENT
 BOURUIBA IN URGING ALMOST A DECADE AGO THAT GREATER
 ATTENTION BE PAID TO THE MIDDLE EAST. BOUTEFLIKA HIMSELF
 HAD BEEN TO LONDON AND PARIS TO URGE THAT THOSE GOVERNMENTS
 EXERT PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA. THE AFRICANS UNDERSTAND THAT
 CHANGE WILL NOT COME OVERNIGHT IN SOUTH AFRICA: WHAT THEY WANT IS A
 MEANINGFUL START.
- 4. BOUTEFLIKA ASKED WHY THE US COULD NOT HAVE JOINED WITH "ALL INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION" IN SUPPORTING THE APPEARANCE OF ARAFAT AT THE UN. CONCERNING KHMER, BOUTE-CONFIDENTIAL

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FLIKA EXPLAINED HOW EVEN-HANDED HE HAD BEEN NOT TO HAVE INVLUENCED THE VOTES OF MOROCCO, TUNISIA, EGYPT, AND THE UAE. HAD HE DONE SO, BOUTEFLIKA CONTINUED, THE RESULT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT. THE US MUST FIND A SOLUTION IN CAMBODIA. REALISTS DO NOT SUPPORT CHINESE PRESSURES TO RESTORE SIHANOUK TO POWER, BUT SOME ALTERNATIVE TO SIHANOUK AND LON NOL MUST BE FOUND. ON KOREA BOUTEFLIKA SAID THAT ALGERIA IS NOT AND NEVER WILL BE COMMUNIST, BUT THAT HE HAD BEEN ENORMOUSLY

IMPRESSED WITH NORTH KOREAN LEADER KIM IL-SUNG. KIM WAS FIRECELY INDEPENDENT AND RAN THE BEST ORGANZED STATE IN ALL THE THIRD WORLD. KIM WILL NOT SUCCUMB TO PRESSURES FROM MOSCOW OR PEKING. THE US SHOULD HAVE CONTACTS WITH NORTH KOREA.

5. IN CONCLUSION, BOUTEFLIKA ALSO CALLED FOR AN IMPROVED DIALOGUE. ALTHOUGH THERE WAS MORE THAN A TRACE OF PATRONIZING IN HIS SAYING THAT "SURELY THERE WAS A ROLE FOR THE US TO PLAY". BOUTEFLIKA CONCLUDED POSITIVELY WITH AN APPEAL FOR COMPROMISE. AT THE SAME TIME, AMBASSADOR SCALI CAUTIONED, TRUE COOPERTATION ONLY WOULD BE POSSIBLE IF SUCH COMPROMISE WERE A TWO-WAY STREET. SCALI

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